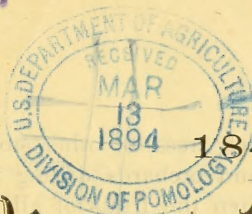


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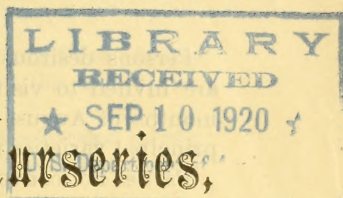
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Pleasant Ridge Nurseries,

HIGHTSTOWN, N. J.

ENOCH A. ELY, Proprietor.

500,000 Choice Peach Trees FOR SALE.

FALL OF 1883. SPRING OF 1884.

PLEASANT RIDGE NURSERIES are situated about two miles south of Hightstown, Mercer County, New Jersey, accessible to New York and Philadelphia by railroad twice or more each day.

The farm was purchased by the proprietor at about \$200 per acre, for the express purpose of growing the very best of nursery stock and fruits, which, from his forty years' experience as a nurseryman and fruit grower, he concluded was the best in the section for such purpose. This land never had a peach orchard nor a peach nursery on it until the present proprietor put them recently there. Peach growers, therefore, can see at a glance the great advantage to be derived from buying peach trees from these nurseries, as they cannot help but get good, healthy trees, and thus insure themselves lasting orchards, which is of the greatest importance. No yellows, or any other disease, can affect trees grown on such lands. A long and thorough experience, both in growing and shipping large quantities of this fruit, teaches that the peach stands unrivalled in comparison with other fruits, both in flavor or beauty, and requires but little labor to produce. Thousands have made fortunes in growing this fruit, and every succeeding year shows a steady increase in the demand. All that is necessary to produce a good crop of good fruit is first to procure the best varieties and properly selected, and then take the same care that is required to make a good corn crop. No crop will pay better.

Persons desirous of purchasing peach trees, or other stock, are invited to visit these nurseries and orchards during the months of August and September, when the fruits of all the principal varieties may be seen.

Parties not conversant with the business of making selections can place full reliance upon the judgment of the proprietor, who sends out none but good trees, and of the best kinds.


VARIETIES.

The following are the leading varieties :

Name.	Color of Flesh.	Season.
Amsden June,	White,	Last of June.
Alexander,	"	" "
Waterloo,	"	Beginning of July.
Wilder,	"	" "
Early Rivers,	Pale yellow,	" "
Hale's Early,	White,	Middle "
Early Tillotson,	"	" "
Fleitas, or St. John,	Yellow,	Last "
Froth's Early,	White,	End "
Mountain Rose,	"	Beginning of Aug.
Large Early York,	"	" "
Yellow Rare Ripe,	Yellow,	Middle "
Foster Peach,	"	" "
Crawford's Early,	"	End "
Old Mixon Free,	White,	Beginning of Sept.
Moore's Favorite,	"	" "
Susquehanna,	Yellow,	" "
Stump the World,	White,	Middle "
Beer's Melacaton,	Yellow,	" "
Pullen's Seedling,	"	" "
Crawford's Late,	"	" "
Ward's Late Free,	White,	End "
Stephen's Rare Ripe,	"	" "
Brandywine,	Yellow,	" "
Late Rare Ripe,	White,	" "
Smock Free,	Yellow,	" "
Beer's Smock,	"	" "
Late Heath Cling,	White,	" "
Smock Cling,	Yellow,	" "
Salway,	"	End of Sept. and beg. Oct.
Shipley's Late,	White,	" " " "
Ruding's Late,	"	" " " "
Keyport White,	"	" " " "
Bilyeu's Late,	"	October. " "
Geary's Hold-on,	Yellow,	" "

Wheatland
others. Best
Top of
Anna
Arkansas Traveler
Early Beauty
Late Palmarston
Henriette Cling
Yellow-Hone
Bequette

In the above list of peaches the time of ripening is put down for the central part of New Jersey, but north or south of this latitude the time of ripening varies according to the distance.

 100,000 of these trees in the nurseries are of a celebrated variety, of which ninety-five two-year-olds picked one hundred and forty-three baskets of fourteen quarts each, which sold for \$721.

All the trees thrive well in all parts of the United States, and are very hardy.

**GRAPE VINES. STRAWBERRY, RASPBERRY, BLACKBERRY, and other
Small Fruit Plants at Reasonable Prices.**

DIRECTIONS FOR TRANSPLANTING.

In transplanting trees, care should be taken to have the earth as fine as possible, and to fill vacancies about the roots. The tree should be gently shaken while the earth is being thrown in, but avoid drawing up the tree while filling in.

Be careful to remove all bruised and broken roots with a sharp knife before planting, by cutting clean from the under side.

Trees should not be planted more than an inch or inch and a half deeper than they stood in the Nursery.

The following Table shows the number of Plants or Trees that can be planted on an acre of ground, at different distances apart, in feet:

DISTANCES APART.	NO. PLANTS.	DISTANCES APART.	NO. PLANTS.
1 by 1	43 560	7 by 7.....	888
1½ " 1½	19,360	8 " 8.....	680
2 " 1	21,780	9 " 9.....	537
2 " 2	10,890	10 " 10.....	435
2½ " 2½	6,969	11 " 11.....	360
3 " 1	14,520	12 " 12.....	302
3 " 2	7,260	13 " 13.....	257
3 " 3	4,840	14 " 14.....	222
3½ " 3½	3,555	15 " 15.....	193
4 " 1	10,890	16 " 16.....	170
4 " 2	5,445	17 " 17.....	150
4 " 3	3,630	18 " 18.....	134
4 " 4	2,722	19 " 19.....	120
4½ " 4½	2,151	20 " 20.....	108
5 " 1	8,712	24 " 24.....	75
5 " 2	4,356	25 " 25.....	69
5 " 3	2,904	27 " 27.....	59
5 " 4	2,178	30 " 30.....	49
5 " 5	1,742	40 " 40.....	27
5½ " 5½	1,417	50 " 50.....	17
6 " 6	1,210	60 " 60.....	12
6½ " 6½	1,031	66 " 66.....	10

It has not been the purpose of the proprietor to collect and present a glaring array of kinds without regard to their merit, but only those which are worthy the attention of the purchaser and which will remunerate him for his expense.

Anything desired, and not contained in the above catalogue, will be procured and forwarded upon order. New peach varieties are being continually tested in these nurseries.

It is not wise or economical in the care of the peach to purchase more than ten or a dozen kinds, however largely one may wish to plant. By proper selection, from the above mentioned varieties, an orchard may be made to bear fruit from the beginning to the close of the season. Nor is it advisable to procure too small a number of varieties. All letters of inquiry will be answered promptly. Trees will be packed in bales or boxes as desired, and in the best manner. Delivery at the railroad station at Hightstown of trees in good order relieves the sender of further responsibility.

Dealers and planters of orchards and others are respectfully invited to examine these nurseries for themselves. If not convenient so to do, by forwarding their selections, the lists will be registered and stock forwarded at the proper time.

Persons residing at the South and West should send in their orders early, that the trees may be forwarded by the last of October or the first part of November.

A large quantity of Peach Seed also for sale.

Trains leave daily (Sundays excepted) via P. R. R. Co.: New York, 8:55 A.M., and 3:55 P.M. Philadelphia, at 7:20 A.M., and 2:30 P.M.


For further particulars inquire of

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Or, JOHN A. CAVENDER, Smyrna, Del., who is my authorized Agent.

All orders left with Hon. B. T. BIGGS, Middletown, Del., will receive prompt attention.

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